August 7, 2015

Subject: **Downtown Auburn**

Transportation Center State WIN: 012326.00 Amendment No. 3

Dear Sir/Ms:

Make the following change(s) to the Bid Documents:

CHANGE(S):

Change: Schedule of Items, dated June 23, 2015, Category 2 (water & sewer main extensions), has been removed from the project. An updated Schedule of Items and bid plans will be posted to the project website. Make this change in pen and ink.

CLARIFICATIONS/QUESTIONS:

Question: Please clarify who the Bid Bond should be made payable to. The Notice to Contractors states

"Treasurer State of Maine"; the Bid Guaranty-Bid Bond form states "Treasurer of the State of Maine" and the Contract Agreement, Offer & Award states, under section F: Offer "Lewiston Auburn Transit Committee"

Response: The bid bond shall be payable to the Lewiston-Auburn Transit Committee.

Question: Specification section 051200 Structural Steel framing requires AISC-CSE certification for the building steel erector. There are only two AIS-CSE certified erectors in the Maine & New Hampshire area. Will you be requiring the use of one of the two erectors or will you consider the use of other qualified steel erectors?

Response: Erectors will not be required to be AISC-CSE certified.

Question: Will you consider steel fabrication from other than an AISC certified plant?

Response: Steel fabrication plants shall be AISC certified.

Question: We are respectfully requesting approval of our *record automatic door systems* series 8100 Automatic Swing Door Operators as an equal substitute to those currently specified (section 087113 Automatic Door Operators) on the subject project which is bidding July 29th. **Response:** This substitution is accepted. Note: The bid documents note the use of wireless push paddles to operate the door for ADA access. This door operator needs to be able to accommodate this. This product must also comply with all specifications and contract requirements.

Question: I am checking to see if you would except Tubelite as equal on the aluminum storefront.

Response: The Tubelite product is an acceptable substitution. This product must also comply with all specifications and contract requirements.

Question: Is Tubelite an approved equal for the storefront?

Response: Yes, the Tubelite 14000 series and Monumental Doors and Frames are an approved equal. This product must also comply with all specifications and contract requirements.

Question: Is Tormax an approved equal for the door operators?

Response: Yes, this is an approved equal product. This product must also comply with all specifications and contract requirements.

Question: Would AL13 Architectural Panel Systems be an acceptable alternate to the specified storefront system?

Response: No. The AL13 metal wall panel system does not meet the design intent of the building design.

Question: When is anticipated start date?

Response: It is anticipated that a pre-construction meeting will be held in September, with the work to start and/or materials ordered within a month of that meeting.

Questions: Will Gagne block be considered as an 'approved equal' rather than Genest? **Response:** Gagne is an approved equal. This product must also comply with all specifications and contract requirements.

Question: The MDOT bid bond form provided in the specs has State of Maine as owner but according to the addendum it does say to make it payable to Lewiston-Auburn Transit Committee. Does this mean we can use an AIA bid bond form?

Response: The State of Maine Department of Transportation bid bond form is a sample. The AIA bid bond form is acceptable. The Lewiston-Auburn Transit Committee is the entity receiving the bids and is to be named as the holder on all required bond forms.